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SUBJECT: APPLICABILITY OF EMBARGO ON DELIVERY OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT  
TO TURKEY TO NATO INFRASTRUCTURE CONTRACT

REFS: A. AC/4(PP)D/10,064

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SUMMARY. THRKISH DELEGATION HAS INFORMALLY INQUIRED CONCERNING  
APPLICABILITY TO AYDIN ENERGY SYSTEMS CONTRACT OF CURRENT DELIVERY  
EMBARGO ON SHIPMENT OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT TO TURKEY. ACTION REQUESTED:

GUIDANCE FOR REPLY TO TURKISH INQUIRY. END SUMMARY.

1. REF DOCUMENTS A THRU D DESCRIBE COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT FOR  
TURKISH AIRCRAFT SURVIVAL MEASURES (ASM) INSTALLATION AT SEVERAL  
TURKISH AIRFIELDS. USER IS TURKISH AIR FORCE. TURKEY OBTAINED  
AUTHORIZATION AND IMPLEMENTED THESE WORKS, VAUED AT APPROXIMATELY  
\$2 MILLION, IN 1973/74. WINNING  
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CONTRACTOR WAS US FIRM AYDIN ENERGY SYSTEMS.

2. TURKISH DELEGATION HAS INFORMALLY INQUIRED AS TO WHETHER US  
FIRM WILL BE PERMITTED TO DELIVER AGAINST THIS CONTRACT.

ALTHOUGH NOT EXPLICITLY STATED, IMPLICATION IS THAT IF THIS CONTRACT FALLS UNDER CURRENT EMBARGO ON DELIVERIES TO TURKEY, TURKISH GOVERNMENT MAY CANCEL CONTRACT, ON BASIS THAT FIRM UNABLE TO FULFILL TERMS.

3. ITEMS IN QUESTION CONSIST OF COMMERCIAL TYPE MICROWAVE TRANSEIVERS OF LOW POWER (10 MILLIWATTS) SHORT RANGE VARIETY OPERATING IN 14/15 GHZ BAND PULSE CODE MODULATION (PCM) EQUIPMENT FOR 30 VOICE CHANNELS ON TRANSCIEVERS, DATA CHANNEL EQUIPMENT FOR LAUNCH LIGHT SIGNALLING, PUBLIC ADDRESS AMPLIFIERS AND LOUDSPEAKERS, TELEPHONES, AND CABLING.

4. NATO INTERNATIONAL STAFF ADVISES THAT ALL ITEMS ARE UNDERSTOOD TO BE STANDARD COMMERCIAL TYPE EQUIPMENT. NO SPECIAL MILITARY CONFIGURATION IS BELIEVED TO BE INVOLVED. ON THIS BASIS MISSION WOULD HOPE THAT, DESPITE OBVIOUS MILITARY APPLICATION, DEPARTMENT COULD PROVIDE RULING SIMILAR TO THAT GIVEN IN REF E, VIZ. THAT EXPORT LICENSE FOR THIS EQUIPMENT WOULD BE A COMMERCIAL LICENSE AND NOT SUBJECT TO EMBARGO.

5. REQUEST ADVISE DEPARTMENT DECISION ON THIS MATTER AND GUIDANCE AS TO COMMENT MISSION SHOULD MAKE IN REPLYING TO TURKISH INQUIRY.  
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